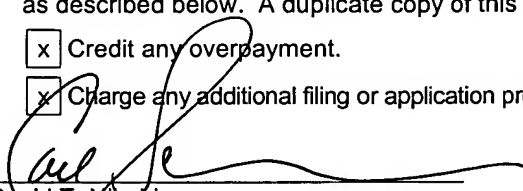




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Application No. 10/726,655-Conf. #5851		Filing Date December 4, 2003		Examiner R. G. McDonald	
				Art Unit 1753	
Applicant(s): Yasuo Murakami et al.					
Invention: VACUUM ARC VAPOR DEPOSITION APPARATUS					
TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
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Sir:

I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated October 11, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Claims 1-24 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, claims 8-14 and 20-24 are amended.

Applicants express their appreciation for the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter in claims 10-14 and 21-24 and for the Examiner's allowance of claims 1-9 and 15-20. The appropriate claims are amended to place the application in condition for allowance.

II. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

(There are no amendments to the drawings)

III. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

(There are no amendments to the specification)